WHEREAS, Many dedicated South Dakota citizens have come to depend on the firefighters of our State to lead the cause of fire prevention, and through this means many lives can be saved and property damage losses reduced; and,

WHEREAS, These 8,000 fire fighters, most of whom are volunteers, are the only force we have to bring the fire prevention message to our people; and,

WHEREAS, In order for fire ighters to carry out their duties in a professional manner they must have specialized training; and,

WHEREAS, Experience has shown that lives can be saved and property loss can be reduced through effective community fire prevention programs; and,

WHEREAS, It shall be the duty of each fire department throughout the State to become knowledgeable in not only fire suppression, but fire prevention, practices through training:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARVEY WOLLMAN, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 8-14, 1978, as

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

in South Dahota and call upon all of our citizens, school officials, in dustry, and local and state governments to participate in the coordinated efforts to provide effective fire prevention activities which will reduce the loss of life and property as a result of fire.

In WITNESS WHEREOF,
I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the Great
Seal of the State of South
Dakota, in Pierre, the
Capital City, this
Twenty-Seventh Day of
September, in the Year
of Our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and SeventyEight

HARVEY WOLLMAN, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE